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Customer No. 22,852  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Naoki KONDO et al. ) Group Art Unit: 3677  
Application No.: 10/686,594 ) Examiner: Jack W. Lavinder  
Filed: October 17, 2003 )  
For: SLIDE FASTENER ) Confirmation No.: 9354

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed January 30, 2006, please reexamine and reconsider the application in view of the following:

**Amendments to Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims begin on page 2

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.